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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. _____

Introduced by: Cheney

A RESOLUTION offering congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Carl Blank on the occasion of his retirement.

Whereas, In August, 2004, Carl Blank retired from the Portage Civil Defense and Reserve Unit after logging more than 22,000 volunteer hours during his 31 years of service;

Whereas, Although a volunteer is required to donate only 120 hours a year, during the course of several years Carl Blank donated 1,000 hours a year;

Whereas, Carl Blank was instrumental in developing the 20-member Reserve Unit in 1993, before which he had served on the city's Civil Defense Unit, assisting with special events and directing traffic;

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Whereas, As a member of the Reserve Unit, Carl Blank took on many additional duties, such as making arrests, transporting prisoners, responding to calls, repairing police cars, directing traffic, fingerprinting youths, and helping at special events;

Whereas, Mr. Blank, who is described by his coworkers as epitomizing the spirit of volunteerism, dedicated his life to helping others; and

Whereas, Carl Blank has capably served the people of the city of Portage as a volunteer for 31 years; it is fitting that the state of Indiana recognize his years of dedicated service: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That on behalf of the people of Indiana, the members
- 2 of the House of Representatives wish to thank Carl Blank for his years
- 3 of dedicated service to the city of Portage. Mr. Blank has given of his
- 4 time freely and generously and expected nothing in return. His actions
- 5 have served to comfort the injured, steady the confused, and protect the
- 6 innocent.
- 7 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 8 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Carl Blank
- 9 and his family, the Portage Civil Defense and Reserve Unit, and
- 10 Douglas W. Olson, Mayor of Portage.

